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On July 15, 2013, this Office received your open records request to inspect/receive copies of any requests for proposals, proposals submitted by vendors, contracts, budgets or cost allocations for the purchase, research of and/or use of aerial drones, UAs, UAVs, and UASs; any policies, guidelines, manuals and/or instructions on use of drones, including on the legal process required before operating a drone; any records concerning use of drones now or plans to use drones in the future; policies, guidelines, manuals and/or instructions on storage requirements or procedures for video or static images obtained through use of drones, including retention times; the altitude at which drones can or do fly; drones' ability to carry weapons. After reviewing the request, this Office is unable to provide you with either all or part of the requested record(s). The basis for this denial is:

- No such record(s) exist.
- This office is not the records custodian for the requested record(s).
- Additional information is needed to identify the requested record(s):
- The following law (citation and brief description why access denied):
 - Tenn. Code Ann. Section: Tenn. Code Ann. Section: *§10-7-503 which limits access to public records to Tennessee Citizens. The relevant language reads: "All state...records shall at all time during business hours, be open for personal inspection by any citizen of Tennessee..." Id. at subsection (a). This request does not indicate that you are a citizen of the State of Tennessee, and citizenship is required to receive information under the statute. Therefore, your request must be denied*
 - Court Rule:
 - Common Law Provision:
 - Federal Law (HIPAA, FERPA, etc.):

If you have any additional questions, please contact Office of the University Counsel at 615-898-2025.

Sincerely,

/s/ Heidi Zimmerman

Heidi Zimmerman
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